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10 October 2000

Colonel Stephen L. Lanning
30th Space Wing
747 Nebraska Ave. Suite A208
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Dear Vandenberg Air Force Base firefighters:

On behalf of the members of Team Vandenberg, we thank all of you for successfully containing and extinguishing the Harris and Peacekeeper fires that started September 11th and consumed more than 11,000 acres at our base. You displayed great courage in combating the blaze that threatened our Spaceport and Western Range assets as well as our homes.

Your effective response to the wildland fire campaign exemplified the epitome of service before self. As the flames from the fire raged in excess of 100 feet, you stood steadfast protecting us and our families. Without a doubt, you are an outstanding credit to your firefighting profession.

The word that best describes you during the Harris and Peacekeeper fire campaign is hero. Only in adversity do we learn who our true heroes really are, and you proved to all of us that you are heroes. Candy and I join the members of Team Vandenberg in saluting you, our firefighters, for your courage. We are so very proud of each and every one of you.

Sincerely,

Stephen L. Lanning
STEPHEN L. LANNING
Colonel, USAF
Commander

Who cleans your building?

MAJ. LEE SHICK

Commander, 30th Mission Support Squadron

People are our most valuable resource."

"People are our business."

We have heard these phrases many times, yet they never lose significance.

In thinking about how important people are, I'm reminded of a story

I read not too long ago from a nursing school student.

The student wrote: "During my second month of nursing school, our professor gave us a pop quiz. I was a conscientious student and had breezed through the questions, until I read the last one: 'What is the name of the woman who cleans the school?' Surely this was some kind of joke. I had seen the cleaning woman several times. She was tall, dark-haired and in her 50s, but how would I know her name? I handed in my paper, leaving the last

question blank. Just before class ended, one student asked if the last question would count toward our quiz grade. 'Absolutely,' said the professor.

'In your careers, you will meet many people. All are significant. They deserve your attention and care, even if all you do is smile and say hello.'

What a great lesson, and

reminder that each member of the team plays a critical role in ensuring the mission gets done. Whether it is the person cleaning your building, the clerk who typed your TDY order, the mid-level technician or your supervisors and senior leaders, each is important and deserves recognition for their part in getting the job done.

I've never forgotten that lesson. And I've since learned that Kim is the person responsible for cleaning building 11777. Do you know the name of the person who cleans your office?

"...each member of the team plays a critical role to ensure the mission gets done."

Maj. Lee Shick
30th Mission Support Squadron
Commander

Letters to the editor

Dear Col. Lanning,

I want to personally thank you and the members of the 30th Space Wing for the successful launch of the Titan IV, B-28 mission on Aug 17. This was truly a team effort, and the extraordinary professionals at Vandenberg Air Force Base were critical to successfully placing a crucial national payload into orbit. The smooth launch countdown highlights the hard work and months of preparation. Please extend my thanks to your outstanding team for the successful launch of this important mission.

This satellite will serve our nation well for years to come. Military leaders and national policy makers alike will benefit and appreciate the combined efforts that make this capability possible.

I look forward to our continued partnership. The tremendous success

of B-28 sets a standard that I am confident we can duplicate as we launch future national space assets.

Sincerely,
Keith Hall
director,

National Reconnaissance Office

MPF receives kudos

I just wanted to pass on a kudos to the military personnel flight re-enlistment section, particularly Master Sgt. Mark Long and Staff Sgt. Patty Stall. I worked a shift all night, and I wasn't able to make a briefing at 10 a.m., so they told me to come in after 3 p.m. They took the time, the last 30 minutes of the duty day, to take care of me, so I would be able to re-enlist with the Thunderbirds. Please pass on my thanks to them.

Tech. Sgt. Kevin Boyd, crew chief,
614th Space Operation Squadron



Col. Steve Lanning
Commander,
30th Space Wing

606-7850

Commander's Action Line

As the wing commander, my primary focus is on the mission and I believe that our mission success will be based on how well we care for our people on and off the job.

The Action Line is your direct link to me. It provides an avenue for you to voice your concerns, share constructive ideas or give your fellow base members a pat on the back. The Action Line is not a replacement for using the chain of command.

Callers are asked to leave their name and contact number in case more information is needed.

I want Vandenberg to continue to be the best Air Force base in the world. Working together, it will be.

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Volunteers continue time honored tradition

LT. COL. MARC SAGER

59th Logistics Squadron commander
Wilford Hall Medical Center

Like all squadron commanders, I always had ambivalent feelings when the call went out for honor guard volunteers.

I knew they looked good and were an important part of military ceremonies like changes of command and retirements. But I also knew they seemed to be away from their "real" duty section an awful lot.

What do they do on all those trips? Why did I have to give these people up and have others cover for them? Isn't it time we phase out the honor guard as just another casualty of downsizing?

My answer came last week in Buffalo, N.Y. Recently, one of the airmen in my squadron became critically ill and subsequently died. Her funeral was held in Amherst N.Y., a small town near Niagara Falls, N.Y. The honor guard had to travel from McGuire AFB in New Jersey. These were eight of the sharpest looking airmen that I've seen in a long time. They were clearly proud of what they did and what they represented.

Amherst is a tight knit community; the type where kids join the service and then return home to live and work. There is familiarity and support of the



SENIOR AIRMAN LEE OSBERRY

Vandenberg's honor guard performs a flag raising ceremony at La Purisma Elementary School in Lompoc Friday. The honor guard members are Master Sgt. Garren Warwick, Staff Sergeants Glenn McAlister and Marcia Scantleburg-Hall and Airman 1st Class Namauu Kanakaokekai.

military, but no direct day-to-day contact. The news they get about the service from the media sometimes focuses on negative rather than positive aspects.

I could literally see the pride in the eyes of every one of the attendees as

the dramatic flag folding ceremony was conducted. I could see the people in the back of the church craning their necks to get a peak. You could hear a pin drop when the airman knelt in front of the grieving mother and thanked her on behalf of the President of the United

States for the service her daughter performed during her short career in the Air Force.

When we adjourned out doors for the firing of the gun salute there was a reverent silence. Eyes misted as the people stood at attention while the mournful tones of "Taps" was played.

Since the military is my way of life, I have taken for granted what we do, and what our traditions mean. Seeing the pride and awe reflected in the friends and relatives of my deceased airman rekindled my own pride.

So when the call for honor guard volunteers goes out next time, I'll still wonder how we will get all the work done, still grumble about how much time these people are away from their primary duty, but I'll let them go, and even encourage a few more to volunteer.

I have seen that for many people their only exposure to the military is these young airmen who come out to small towns and large cities to perform these details.

I pray we will somehow find the will to continue this time honored tradition. These are the best ambassadors of our way of life to civilian communities around the country. We need to support them.

Team Vandenberg faces protestors

By Tech Sgt. Lloyd Conley

30th Space Wing Public Affairs

■ Team Vandenberg answered the call to counter protestors at the main gate Saturday.

An alliance of several organizations, calling itself the Vandenberg Action Coalition, demonstrated against nuclear arms and space-based weapons outside the main gate from 1 to 5 p.m.

The coalition staged an earlier demonstration at the main gate in July.

The earlier protest was against the National Missile Defense Program test on July 7.

According to base police, the group's protest at the main gate was more confrontational this time.

Motorists were forced to use alternate routes to enter Vandenberg because the main gate was closed during the demonstration. Coalition members created a traffic jam at the main gate intersection, forcing people to use Firefighter Road to enter the base through Utah Gate.

Members of the Santa Barbara County Sheriff's Department and California Highway Patrol were on



AIRMAN JESSICA RAMOS

Members of the 30th Security Forces Squadron Confrontation Management Team form a defensive line against protestors from the Vandenberg Action Coalition at the Main Gate Oct. 7.

hand to direct and traffic.

People assigned to the 30th Security Forces and Transportation squadrons were on hand to process the demonstrators who trespassed.

The 30th SFS Confrontation Management Team detained 22 of the demon-

strators for attempting to enter the base illegally, said Tech. Sgt. Robert Vickers, 30th SFS NCOIC of Investigations. One of the people apprehended was actor Martin Sheen.

The protestors were placed on buses and taken to the 30th SFS Corrections



STAFF SGT. PAMELA TAUBMAN

The Confrontation Management Team members stand ready outside main gate.

Facility for processing.

Vickers said the demonstrators were cited for trespassing and barred from entering Vandenberg for a year.

The protestors were released on their own recognizance a few hours after the crowd dispersed and the main gate was opened, Vickers said.

Cocaine use leads to airman's court-martial

By 2nd Lt. Karen Greene

30th Space Wing Legal Office

■ The career and life of a 20-year-old airman assigned to the 30th Transportation Squadron changed drastically Sept. 21 when he was convicted for drug use and underage drinking.

Airman Joshua Bobinski, was sentenced to 12 months confinement, reduction to the grade of airman basic, and a bad conduct discharge in a general court-martial here.

Bobinski, a student leader yellow rope entrusted with the supervision of other trainees while assigned to Port Hueneme, Calif., pleaded guilty to violating article 112a of the Uniform Code of Military Justice for drug use, specifically cocaine.

Bobinski used cocaine when he went to a Lompoc residence July 10, 1999. He was selected for a random urinalysis a few days later and his results came back positive.

He also pleaded guilty to underage drinking on two separate occasions and making a false official statement. The offenses violated articles 92 and 107.

One of the underage drinking incidents occurred while Bobinski was awaiting his court martial hearing.

Bobinski denied, verbally and in a written statement, his use of a controlled substance when he was

questioned by an Air Force Office of Special Investigations agent. His denial was the basis for the false official statement charge.

During the investigation of his cocaine usage, the OSI agent received information from a first sergeant at Port Hueneme that Bobinski had been implicated in an unrelated drug use case involving a seaman recruit.

According to the first sergeant, the sailor had sold Bobinski methamphetamine.

The first sergeant said the two men had also used the drug together on occasion.

In addition, the Port Hueneme first sergeant said that Bobinski and the seaman consumed alcoholic beverages on the beach near the installation almost every weekend during their training.

The seaman is now serving an 18-month sentence at Miramar Marine Corps Air Station for use and distribution of a controlled substance.

Bobinski incurred the additional underage charge when he was apprehended by patrolmen with the 30th Security Forces Squadron July 3. This incident occurred while he was awaiting his court-martial hearing for the drug and earlier underage drinking charges.

Court members, consisting of four officers and four enlisted found Bobinski guilty.

They deliberated 45 minutes to decide upon his sentence of 12 months confinement, a bad conduct discharge, reduction to airman basic, and forfeiture of all pay and allowances.

Capt. Christopher Morgan, 30th Space Wing trial counsel, said "the sentence adjudged by the members in this case

was entirely appropriate. It reaffirmed that drug use will not be tolerated and that there are serious consequences for using these types of drugs."

Bobinski is currently serving his sentence at the Vandenberg Corrections Facility.

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Capt. Christopher Morgan
30th Space Wing Judge Advocate

NEWS**BRIEFS****VANDENBERG MILITARY RETIREES MEET THURSDAY**

The monthly meeting of military retirees at Vandenberg is scheduled for Thursday, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the retiree activities office in building 10364. Tinisha Agramonte, from the family support center, will discuss volunteerism as a therapeutic tonic for youthfulness. Items discussed will be opportunities in the RAO, on the base and in the community. Call 606-5474 for more information.

OPEN SEASO FOR HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM STARTS IN NOVEMBER

The annual federal employees health benefits program open season runs from Nov. 13 to Dec. 11. Eligible members can enroll in a health insurance plan for the first time, or make changes to current enrollments by calling the benefits and entitlements service team at (800) 997-2378, or visit the web site at <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/palacecompass/BESTGRB/EBIS.htm>.

FEDERAL CIVILIAN EMPLOYEES CAN ADJUST THRIFT SAVINGS PLAN

The thrift savings plan open season is Nov. 15 to Jan. 31. Federal civilian employees can use the automated system benefits and entitlements service team by calling (800) 997-2378 or visiting the web site <http://www.afpc.randolph.af.mil/palacecompass/BESTGRB/EBIS.htm>. Another web site, <http://www.tsp.gov>, can provide rates of return, guide booklets and forms.

AIR FORCE NEEDS MILITARY TRAINING INSTRUCTORS

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People who are interested can visit the following website to find out more: <http://www.lackland.af.mil/737trg/737web/mtis/mti.htm>.

GOVERNMENT TRAVELERS MUST USE BANK OF AMERICA CARD

All government employees traveling on official government business, must use the Bank of America Government Travel Card for all transportation expenses. Expenses include airfare, bus tickets and rental car fees. For more information, call 1st Lt. Carmelita Chadwick or Senior Master Sgt. George Arting at the Finance Office at 606-4031.

30TH MEDICAL GROUP SCHEDULES TRICARE DENTAL BRIEFINGS

A special presentation by the United Concordia representative has been scheduled in the 30th Medical Group commander's conference room. The presentations will be Oct. 30 at 2 p.m. and Oct. 31 at 9 and 10 a.m. The presentation will address enhanced benefits of the TRICARE Active Duty Family Member

Dental Plan.

Some changes include maximum family payments, orthodontics, general anesthesia and the new dental payment plan. Seating is limited, so make reservations by calling 606-7483.

OFFICIALS EXTEND DEADLINE FOR MINITURE BADGES

Authorization to wear the miniature function badge has been extended until further notice.

Call Tech. Sgt. Henry Alvarado at the military personnel flight customer service section at 605-4850 or e-mail him at henry.alvarado@vandenberg.af.mil.

VANDENBERG HONOR GUARD NEEDS NEW MEMBERS

The Vandenberg Honor Guard needs volunteers and buglers. In addition, retirees from sister services are needed to participate in funeral details.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of Vandenberg's honor guard should call Staff Sgt. Dalhia Shelton at 606-3654.

PEOPLE NEW TO VANDENBERG MUST REGISTER VEHICLES

Military and civilian members assigned to Vandenberg are required to register their private vehicles within three work days of arriving on base. This needs to be done regardless of the expiration date on the tab from a previous assignment.

People who do not fulfill these requirements may lose their vehicle registration or the registration of additional vehicles can be denied for 30 days. Call 30th Security Forces Squadron Pass and Registration at 606-1853 for more information.

JUDGE ADVOCATE GENERAL OFFERS LAW SCHOOL PROGRAMS

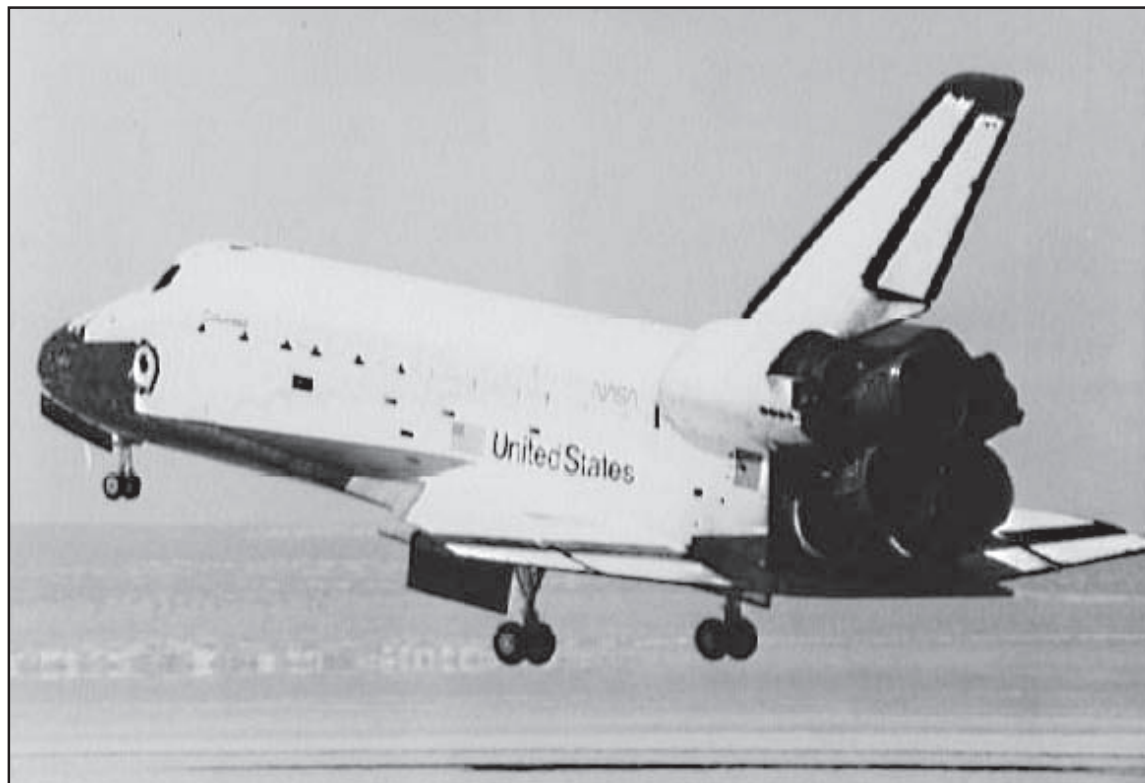
Applications for the Funded Legal Education and Excess Leave programs are being accepted Jan. 1 through March 1.

The FLEP is a paid legal studies program for active-duty Air Force officers.

Applicants must have completed all forms, applied to an American Bar Association accredited law school, received their law school admissions test results and completed an SJA interview by March 1. For more information and an application, call Maj. Mark Allison, at DSN 224-5941. E-mail Allison at Mark.Allison@pentagon.af.mil, or visit the website at <http://www.jagusaf.hq.af.mil>.

VANDENBERG ENLISTED ACTION TEAM HOLDS MEETING

The Vandenberg Enlisted Action Team will meet Monday at 3 p.m. in the Pacific Coast Club. A representative from AAFES will discuss the reason for the increase in base gas prices. People who are unable to attend should forward their concerns to their unit representative. All enlisted member are welcome. Call Staff Sgt. Janice Cannon at 606-7544 for more information.



NASA PHOTO

The Space Shuttle Columbia lands at Edwards AFB April 23, 1981, after the first shuttle mission. The first mission was designed to test the vehicle by sending it to orbit and landing safely. The mission was a success, and started a new era in the U.S. space program.

Air Force commands 100th shuttle mission

Two USAF officers at Discovery controls

BY STAFF SGT. JOEL LANGTON
45th Space Wing Public Affairs

■ PATRICK AIR FORCE BASE, Fla. — When the Space Shuttle Discovery lifted off Wednesday, two Air Force officers were at the controls flying NASA's 100th shuttle mission.

Col. Brian Duffy, commander of STS-92, is in charge of the seven-person crew, and Lt. Col. Pam Melroy is assigned as the pilot for the mission. Melroy is the third woman to pilot in shuttle program.

The shuttle will be delivering the next in a series of major hardware components to the International Space Station. The ISS will receive its first framework structure to house communications and motion control equipment during STS-92.

Duffy and Melroy will be at the controls during four scheduled spacewalks. Two teams of space walkers and an experienced robot arm operator will collaborate to install part of the ISS's backbone.

Although Duffy and Melroy, both Air Force test pilots, are now wearing the NASA blue vs. Air Force blue, they took different routes to shuttle controls.

Duffy, a Boston native, went to the Air Force Academy where he flew for the first time.

"Probably the most important thing I did (at the Academy) was I got a chance to fly in a number

of different airplanes, one of them being the F-4. And to be a 19-year-old at the time in the back seat of an F-4, a hundred feet off the ground, going 600 miles an hour made me realize that was something I really wanted to do," Duffy said.

After graduation, Duffy went to pilot training and eventually found himself in an F-15 cockpit. He later became an Air Force test pilot, where he flew more than 25 different aircraft before entering the space program.

Duffy was accepted into the program, where he's been for the last 15 years. STS-92 will be his fourth mission into space.

While Duffy went through the Academy and flew fighters, Melroy went through Wellesley College where she got her commission through ROTC. After entering active duty, she went through undergraduate pilot training and, upon graduation, was selected to fly tankers.

When she originally decided that she wanted to be an astronaut, women weren't even allowed to fly in the military, much less in space.

"I was born at the right time, and the doors just opened a few years ahead of every step that I made. And so, I was really lucky. When I was in high school, they started letting women fly in the military," Melroy said.

Eventually, after flying combat missions in Operation Just Cause and Desert Storm, Melroy was selected as a test pilot and subsequently has flown nearly 50 different planes. Then she was selected for the space program. This mission is her first foray into space.

Joint National Test Facility holds missile wargames

By TOM MAHR

Joint National Test Facility Public Affairs

■ SCHRIEVER AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — More than 70 armed forces players, analysts and data collectors returned to the Joint National Test Facility here to participate in Phase II of the Joint Theater Air and Missile Defense Organization's Joint Theater Ballistic Missile Defense wargame, dubbed JTBMD WG 00.

The first phase of the game was held here in July, and was designed to assist warfighters from each U.S. military service refine the concept of operations as well as the tactics, techniques and procedures that will guide the United States's theater missile defense programs in the future. JTBMD WG 00, Phase II, built on the decisions and lessons learned from Phase I.

"JTBMD WG 00 demonstrated just how important a single-integrated air picture, or SIAP, is in terms of our ability to defend against theater ballistic missiles," said Army Maj. Gen. Larry Dodgen, JTAMDO's director. "It also gave us valuable insights into the role an automated battle manager can play in theater missile defense.

"I was really impressed with how quickly the JNTF was able to design and implement an automated battle manager for Phase II, based on what was learned in the first phase of the wargame," Dodgen said.

"JTBMD WG 00 is a multi-phase operator-in-the-loop wargame," explained Navy Lt. Cmdr. Alan Jacobs, the JNTF's chief of

wargames. "The game is designed to allow the participants to examine, through computer simulations, just how a family of TMD systems might operate and to give them an opportunity to provide input, from a user's perspective, on how to make those systems most effective.

"Phase I looked primarily at concepts of operation," Jacobs said, "while Phase II focused on acquiring insights into JTBMD interoperability requirements."

Phase II of JTBMD WG 00 consisted of one day of training, followed by three days of scenario-driven exercise play. The scenarios examined a variety of possible threats the United States might face in the future and postulated a family of TMD systems to defend against them.

"The 'operators' in this game demonstrated what I already knew," Dodgen said. "They can always find a way

to get the job done. The problem is that this takes time, and time is something we will have less and less of in future conflicts.

"This phase of JTBMD WG 00 illustrated just how important an accurate single-integrated air picture is," Dodgen said. "We've got to keep improving our ability to model this in wargames like JTBMD WG 00, so we can make appropriate recommendations to the U.S. Joint Forces Command who will be presenting the TMD operator's perspective at various key acquisition and funding meetings scheduled later this year and next year."



Air Force Photo

A Peacekeeper launches from Vandenberg. Missile wargames were held at Schriever AFB, Colo.

THIS WEEK IN HISTORY

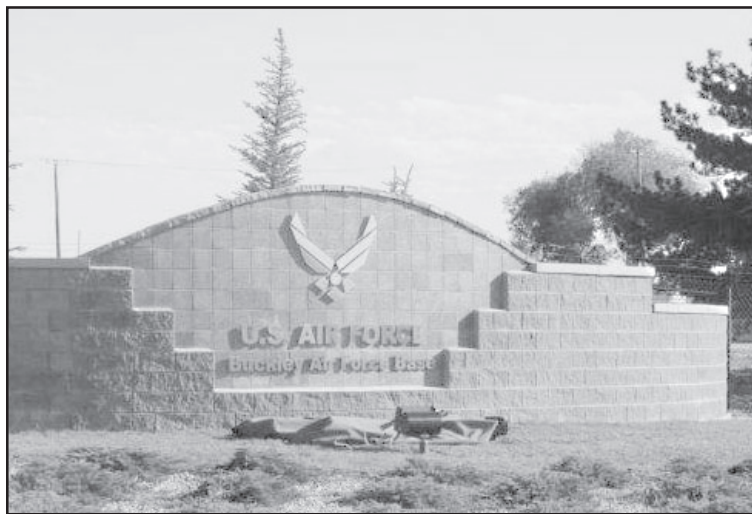
Oct. 11, 1960- The initial West Coast launch of an Atlas/Agena rocket carrying the SAMOS I was successfully launched from Vandenberg, but the satellite failed to orbit.

Oct. 12, 1960- The first night-time Atlas intercontinental ballistic missile was launched from Vandenberg. The booster self-destructed.

Oct. 12, 1974- The final Atlas booster was used in the Advanced Ballistic Re-entry System program.

Oct. 12 1994- Vandenberg's Radar Approach Control closed for Vandenberg and the neighboring airports of Santa Maria, Lompoc, and Santa Ynez. The function was transferred to the FAA.

Oct. 14, 1965- Launch of the Orbiting Geophysical Observatory into a polar orbit by a Thrust-augmented Thor/Agena space booster took place from Space Launch Complex 2 East. This was the first major launch operation from Vandenberg by NASA.



The front gate sign at Buckley Air Force Base, Colo., reflects its new designation as an active-duty base after 40 years as an Air National Guard base.

Buckley changes to active-duty base

BY LYNN GONZALES
AFSPC Public Affairs

■ BUCKLEY AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — The Air Force unveiled its newest base Oct. 2, when Buckley Air National Guard Base became an active-duty base during a transition ceremony here.

Secretary of the Air Force F. Whitten Peters; Air Force Space Command Commander Gen. Ed Eberhart; Colorado Gov. Bill Owens; and Colorado Adjutant General Maj. Gen. Mason Whitney officiated the ceremony marking the handing over of the base from the Colorado Air National Guard to Air Force Space Command.

"In the past 10 years, we have transformed Buckley from a decaying World War II base — with buildings with leaking roofs and rotting floorboards — to what you see now, an updated base with modern buildings and a brand new infrastructure," Whitney said. "Buckley has a proud history and a promising future."

The ceremony officially transferred host command responsibility from the 140th Wing of the Colorado ANG to AFSPC's 821st Space Group, ending the Guard's 40-year command. The transition was made final with the unveiling of

the new name at the front gate — Buckley Air Force Base.

"The sun will come up tomorrow, as it has for the last 40 years, on a well-run base, overflowing with great Americans who are going about the day-to-day business of defending the nation," Peters said. "On the surface, very little will be different tomorrow. However, things are changing — subtly, deliberately and profoundly."

In addition to a new name, the transition brings a few other noticeable changes. More active-duty Air Force members will be assigned to support the new host organization, and a new commissary and base exchange are being built to accommodate existing and incoming airmen.

"What great stewards of this base the taxpayers found in ... the Colorado Air National Guard," Eberhart said. "You have set a tough standard, but we are going to dedicate ourselves to meeting that standard and, together, taking it to new heights."

Although the change in host responsibility from the Guard to the Air Force presents some changes in operational support, many people look forward to what these changes will mean.

COMMUNITY

CALENDAR

■ All Vandenberg people are invited to attend the **Aerospace Show 2000 aircrew mixer** today at 5 p.m. in the Pacific Coast Club. There will be free soda, and finger foods. The Thunderbirds and civilian aviation performers will be on hand. The Travis AFB "Galaxy" band will also play throughout the event.

14 SAT The English College Level Entry

Program with essay test is scheduled Saturday at 8 a.m. in the base's education center, building 14002. The test will only be administered if enough people register. Call 605-5900 or 605-5902 to take the test.

16 MON The family support center staff has scheduled a

sponsorship training class Monday at 3 p.m. in the family support center. The class will focus on sponsor responsibilities, relocation resources and tips to assist newcomers. Call the relocation assistance program at 606-0801 to register.

17 TUE The 30th Space Wing and the 30th Support Group

will sponsor a **Team Vandenberg Spouses Leadership seminar** Monday and Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Pacific Coast Club. The seminar is open to all spouses of active-duty members. A \$20 fee will cover the cost of breakfast and lunch during the two-day event. For reservations call 605-2843.

Allan Hancock College has **walk-in registration** on Tuesday and Wednesday from noon to 7 p.m. Late registration is scheduled for Oct. 23 to 25 from noon to 7 p.m. If you have any questions, call 734-3500 or 605-5915.

People interested in information about **Individual Retirement Accounts** should attend the IRA class Tuesday from 1 to 2:30 p.m. in the

family support center. People will learn the differences between the traditional and Roth IRA's and how to analyze the best choice for them. Call Teresa Orozco at 606-4636 for details and registration.

18 WED A class about diabetes will be held Wednesday from 1 to 4 p.m. in the Health and Wellness Center. Call 606-2193 for information.

The family support center staff has scheduled an **assignment Korea workshop** Wednesday at 2 p.m. in the Family Support Center. Participants will receive must-have information on how to get

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At the Movies

Tonight

Gone in 60 Seconds

(PG-13) 7:30 p.m.

Rated for violence, sexuality and language.

Saturday

What Lies Beneath

(PG-13) 7:30 p.m.

Rated for violence, sensuality and brief language.

Sunday

The Art of War

(R) 7:30 p.m.

Rated for strong violence, sexuality, language and brief drug content.

Oct. 20

Bring It On

(PG-13) 7:30 p.m.

Rated for sex-related materials and language.



STAFF SGT. JENNIFER WALLIS

Blue ribbon club

Col. Steve Lanning, 30th Space Wing commander, presents John Pellay, Pacific Coast Club manager, and Lt. Col. David Cannon (second from right), 30th Services Squadron commander, with the Commander's Trophy for the month of September. Col. Duane Lamb (left), 30th Support Group commander, and 30th Space Wing Command Chief Master Sgt. Paul Krim (right), stand in for the presentation.

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around, where to go and about the people and culture of Korea. Call the relocation assistance program at 606-0801 to register.

19 THU

The family support center staff has scheduled a **Manage Your Move workshop** Thursday at 1 p.m. in the

family support center. Workshop tips can make moves less complicated and less stressful. Hear briefings from finance, TMO, housing, the legal office, and TRICARE. Spouses are encouraged to attend. Call the relocation assistance program at 606-0801 to register.

20 FRI

Team Vandenberg members who have been promoted to airman, airman first class or senior airman and need stripes sewn on their uniforms, are invited to a **Stitch in Time party** Oct. 20 at 4:30 p.m. in the Chapel 1 Annex. The party is being held by the Protestant Women of the Chapel and Catholic Women of the Chapel. There will be pizza, games, and fellowship. For information, call 606-6720.

21 SAT

The Santa Maria Chamber of Commerce is holding a **veterans and active-duty military walk** Oct. 21 from 9 to 11 a.m. The walk will begin at Santa Maria City Hall and end at the youth building on Miller Street, which is the site of a proposed veteran's

memorial. Active-duty members who participate must walk in civilian clothes. For more information, call Cheree Ramirez at 928-7777 extension 2700.

24 SAT

The first workshop for volunteer tutors participating in the **Lompoc Library Adult Reading Program** is Oct. 24.

No prior teaching experience is required. Tutors complete a 12-hour training course. Training and materials are free. Tutoring sessions take place at the Lompoc Public Library and the Vandenberg Village and Buellton branch libraries. Call Christina Chill at 735-7323, extension 16 for information.

The family support center staff has scheduled a **Life Insurance Basics class** Oct. 24 from 1 to 4:30 p.m. in the family support center. The class will discuss the differences between term and whole life insurance. Call Teresa Orozco at 606-4636 for details and registration.

31 TUE

Halloween trick-or-treating for children will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 31.

Housing residents wishing to participate should leave porch lights on and give only wrapped or sealed treats. The 30th Security Forces Squadron will have extra people in the housing areas to ensure a safe and secure



Running wild

Thomas Thurlby of the Vandenberg varsity flag football team eludes defenders during action Saturday in Santa Maria. The Hawks won both games they played Saturday with scores of 40-0 and 30-6. The Hawks 2000 record is 3-1.

GYM STAFF HOLDS FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNEY

The base Fitness Center staff will hold a five-on-five flag football tournament Oct. 21. Sign-ups are at the fitness center.

SOCCER ALL-STAR GAME OCT. 20

The base Fitness Center staff has scheduled an all-star soccer game Oct. 20 at 6 p.m. on the base football field. The National League all-stars will be taking on the American League all-stars.

SOCCER TOURNAMENT BEGINS

The 2000 intramural soccer championship tournament's semi-final and final games are schedule for Tuesday and Wednesday at 5:30 p.m. The 30th Services Squadron, 392nd Training Squadron, 30th Operations Group, 533rd Training Squadron, 30th Civil Engineer Squadron and 30th Medical Group are participating in the tournament on the base soccer field.

SPORTS

BRIEFS

FINAL INTRAMURAL SOCCER

American League

	W	L	T	Pts.
SFS	6	2	0	12
CES	5	1	2	12
COMM	2	4	2	6
533rd TRS	2	4	2	6
381st TRG	2	6	0	4

National League

	W	L	T	Pts.
OG	7	1	0	14
MDG	5	1	2	12
392nd TRS	3	3	2	8
576th FLTS	3	5	0	6
614th SOPS	0	8	0	5

S 30th Services NEWS



Miller Lite Time
COMICS ON DUTY

Billy Garan Danny Bevins Lee Allan Phil Palisoul

"Comics On Duty"
Oct. 21

at the Pacific Coast Club
\$10 for members and bonafide guests
Doors open at 7 p.m. Showtime at 8 p.m.

Arts & Crafts

country faire

9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

SPACES AVAILABLE FOR VENDORS!

\$25 per space

Saturday, November 4, 2000

CLOWN!
LIVE COUNTRY BAND!

PETTING ZOO!
BOUNCE CASTLE!

FOOD, GAMES and CRAFT BOOTHS

Fair to be held on grassy area adjacent to the bowling center

Volunteers are needed to help with the Fair!
For details, call Lynn Warner at 605-8974, or Kim Saheim 605-4729

OCTOBER REMINDERS!

SPECIAL!
FRIDAY
THE 13TH
LATE NIGHT WITH
DJ GUY
From 9 p.m. to 2 a.m.

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KID'S
BINGO
Sunday,
3 to 5 p.m. at the club
'Family Quality Time'

FITNESS CENTER
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Aerobics
Schedule
Call 606-3832
for times

Fine Dining at the
PACIFIC COAST CLUB

Tuesday
2-for-1 PRIME RIB!
Two Prime Rib Dinners
for the price of one, **\$16.95**

Thursday
2-For-1 RIBEYE STEAK!
Two Rib Eye Steaks
for the price of one, **\$14.95**
6 p.m. to 8 p.m.

30th Services

NEWS

TEEN HALLOWEEN DANCE

ACTIVITIES



Youth Center

Oct. 28

5 to 8 P.M.

\$2 for members, \$3 non-members

Jack-O-Lantern contest (must supply pumpkin for showing & judging)

For information, call Wendy Elzy at 606-2313.



BOWLING

9-PIN NO-TAP Tournament

Oct. 14 with check-in at 5:30 p.m., bowl at 6 p.m. for just \$10.

OUTDOOR REC

NEW SATURDAY HOURS:

9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

SLO CITY WALK

Oct. 25, 5:30 p.m. Explore the streets of San Luis Obispo, finish at Pete's Southside Cafe for those interested in dinner. Cost: FREE.

Call 549-0532 for more information.

GOLF

MARSHALLIA RANCH GOLF COURSE

Today - 30th Weather Squadron Tournament.

YOUTH

Boys and Girls Youth Basketball League

Registration Oct 2nd through Nov. 3. For more information, call the Youth Center at 606-2152.

SERVICES CENTER

FREE COUNTRY LINE DANCING

Every Wednesday at the Service Center, 6:30 to 9 p.m.

SERVICE CENTER is available for conferences, meetings and parties. Call for advance reservations: 605-4729 or 605-8974.

FITNESS CENTER

SOCCER ALLSTAR GAME - Oct. 20

5-on-5 FLAG FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT - Oct. 21

DINING FACILITY

Home Recipe Program

Submit your mom's or grandmother's awesome home recipe and you could be eating a nice 'home cooked' meal that you've missed since basic training! If your recipe is chosen, your name will appear on the menu board by the meal item. Grab your mom's or grandma's recipe and bring it to the AETC Dining Facility supervisor, and we'll make it for you!

DIAL-A-MENU phone number for the AETC Dining Facility is 606-2595.

